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Michael D. DAN et al.

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For: ANTIGEN BINDING FRAGMENTS THAT
SPECIFICALLY DETECT CANCER CELLS,
NUCLEOTIDES ENCODING THE
FRAGMENTS, AND USE THEREOF FOR THE
PROPHYLAXIS AND DETECTION OF
CANCERS

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated November 5, 2003 (Paper No. 33), for which a response was due on February 5, 2004. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 5, 2004.

Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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